

## PICKING CHINESE PRESIDENT

## YUAN SHIH-KAI MAY BE PRESIDENT IF RULER ABDICATES

Republicans Ready to Rally Around Veteran Chinese Statesman.

## PRINCE CHUN TALKS OF SURRENDER NOW

Erstwhile Regent, Father of Baby Emperor, Asks if Peace Would Be the Result.

[SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE HERALD VIA COMMERCIAL CABLE COMPANY'S SYSTEM.]  
SHANGHAI, Sunday.—Tang Shao-yi, who came hither as the representative of the Premier, Yuan Shih-kai, at the peace conference, continues to sound the republicans with the object of having Yuan chosen as President with a new Cabinet.

The older republicans are ready to rally around Yuan Shih-kai if the Emperor abdicates, in which case the armistice will be extended to permit Yuan to perfect his plans in this direction.

Tang Shao-yi is in daily conference with Dr. Wu Ting-fang, the republican leader here.

## REBEL CHIEF SHOT IN HOSPITAL BED

[From Yesterday's Evening Telegram.]  
[SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE EVENING TELEGRAM VIA COMMERCIAL CABLE COMPANY'S SYSTEM.]  
SHANGHAI, Sunday.—Two Chinese entered the French hospital here this afternoon, walked to the bed where a prominent revolutionary leader lay and shot him dead. They then escaped. This is a striking indication of the chaos under revolutionary government.

## MANCHUS ASK FOR ADVICE FROM YUAN

[From Yesterday's Evening Telegram.]  
[SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE EVENING TELEGRAM VIA COMMERCIAL CABLE COMPANY'S SYSTEM.]  
TIENTSIN, Sunday.—Following a council of the imperial family, Prince Chun, erstwhile Regent, visited Yuan Shih-kai, his successor, and implored his advice as to whether the abdication of the Manchu dynasty would restore peace and whether this was the only alternative.

Yuan refused to give a definite answer. The revolutionaries at Shanghai are pressing very strongly for the abdication of the infant Emperor.

## JAPAN TO SUPPORT RUSSIA IN MONGOLIA

[SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE HERALD VIA COMMERCIAL CABLE COMPANY'S SYSTEM.]  
TOKIO, Sunday.—Responsible organs here affirm that Japan recognizes Russia's predominant position in Mongolia and is resolved to interpret the recent Russian action there in a friendly spirit and not make any representations, but the existence of a secret understanding is denied.

The chauvinistic press insists that if the Powers connive at the Russian acquisition of Mongolia Japan has a full right to demand the same sympathy regarding Manchuria.

The Japan Chronicle to-day says:—"The Pekin correspondent of the New York Herald is usually so well informed that any statement made by him is deserving of the fullest consideration, but Pekin is not the best source to ascertain what is going on among the republicans."

The Chronicle says it does not believe there is any more justification for suspicions against England than against Germany. It compares the HERALD charges with the Times' Pekin correspondence, which reported fears that England and Japan were pledged to prevent the establishment of a republic, adding that these opposing charges may be permitted to cancel each other.

It believes that, apart from Russia's action in Mongolia, all the Powers loyally refrained from intervention on either side.

The Foreign Office denies a Shanghai report that the Japanese government is considering the possibility of giving its sanction to a loan to the republicans by Japanese bankers. Japan agrees with the other Powers that while the disturbances continue neither side can borrow in Japan with government influence, although the government is powerless to control individuals.

## SUN YAT SEN FAVORS YUAN FOR PRESIDENT

NANKING, Sunday.—Provisional President Sun Yat-sen to-day received the news quietly. He said he expects some delay in the adjustment of affairs and added that it was quite possible that Yuan Shih-kai of the pending abdication of the Emperor might be President of the new republic.

He repeated his assertion that he would resign when the Manchu government had been ousted and peace restored throughout the country.

## SR HERBERT FREE IN VAUDEVILLE AT PALACE TO-NIGHT

Noted Actor and Manager to Appear in Sketch by Rudyard Kipling.

## "THE MAN WHO WAS" TO BE HIS MEDIUM

His Decision Is Due to Fact That Theatres and Music Halls Have the Same License Now.

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HERALD BUREAU, No. 130 FLEET STREET, LONDON, Sunday.  
Sir Herbert Free makes his first appearance in vaudeville at the Palace Theatre to-morrow night in Kipling's sketch "The Man Who Was."

His action is due to the fact that the theatres and music halls have practically the same license now that the censor controls both.

## THINK SIGNOR CARUSO WILL SING IN LONDON

Tenor's Secretary Examines Stage at the London Opera House and Rumor Is Revived.

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Signor Caruso's secretary inspected the stage of the London Opera House to-night and the incident revived the report that the great tenor will sing here in the spring.

As Mr. Hammerstein is on the ocean no one could confirm or deny the rumor.

## LAWSON DIVORCE SUIT TO BE UNCONTESTED

Lord Hamilton Dalzell Is Named by Son of Lord Burnham—Case Up To-Day.

[SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE HERALD VIA COMMERCIAL CABLE COMPANY'S SYSTEM.]  
HERALD BUREAU, No. 130 FLEET STREET, LONDON, Sunday.  
The suit for divorce of Major William Lawson, son of Lord Burnham, in which Lord Hamilton Dalzell is named, comes up for trial to-morrow. It is understood it will not be contested. Mrs. Lawson is in India.

Peace Near in Labor World.  
LONDON, Sunday.—All indications to-night point to peace in the labor world. Both sides in the cotton dispute in the Lancashire districts are anxious for a settlement. It is understood that the employers will consent to consider the question of an advance in wages, if the operation demands for recognition of only union labor is withdrawn. If an agreement is reached, it is probable that the wages of the weavers will be advanced five per cent at the expiration of three months.

## SPANISH PREMIER ADMITS BLUNDER AND RESIGNS POST

Senor Canalejas and Cabinet Retire When King Alfonso Insists Upon Commuting Sentence of One of Seven Men Sentenced to Death for Strike Murders in Valencia.

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Reuters Madrid correspondent telegraphs that the Spanish Cabinet has resigned.

The Premier said that he deferred to the King's judgment and would prepare a decree to that effect without delay, but, considering, as he did, that the Ministry had made a mistake, it was his duty to hand in his resignation. King Alfonso urged him to reconsider his determination, but he remained firm.

The Ministerial crisis at the moment of the Franco-Spanish negotiations on Morocco is of exceptional gravity, and the King has lost no time in consulting with the leading statesmen. He conferred in turn with General Montero Rios, President of the Cortes, Senor Moret, a French dignitary and Senor Mañá, all of whom agreed that the liberals should remain in power. They urged the King to try to prevail upon Senor Canalejas to return.

The reprieve of Canalejas has had an excellent effect throughout the country, which yesterday was aroused when it was learned that the King and his Ministry had failed to reach an agreement on that question.

The King received Senor Canalejas to-night and again asked him to resume the premiership, assuring him of continued confidence. Senor Canalejas asked for time to reflect, promising to give his reply to-morrow.

A Plain Solution.  
Baltimore American—"Do you believe a girl can marry any man she pleases?" "Certainly, if she pleases him and takes him when he asks her."

Cruel Insinuation.  
Baltimore American—"He—When I hurt my head so I went to the hospital and they turned the X-ray on my brain, but they couldn't find anything there."

She—Naturally.

The rioters were first tried before a military court last month and six of them were sentenced to death. The case then went to the Supreme Council of War and Marine for revision, and the Council convicted all seven prisoners to death. Petitions in favor of a reprieve have flowed in ever since the first trial, and it was evident that the whole nation strongly desired that the men should not suffer the

death penalty. Senor Canalejas advised the King to exercise his prerogative in the case of six of the prisoners, but held that the seventh, Chato Chiqueta, should be made an example of in the interests of law and order.

The agitation had by this time reached formidable proportions, the Barcelona radicals issuing a decree calling for a general strike if Chiqueta were put to death on Monday, the date set. The Premier in his own words then realized that the execution of Chiqueta from a reprieve was a political blunder, and learning that the King was of the same opinion, he went with his colleagues to the palace, where the King declared that he favored a reprieve for Chiqueta.

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## RISE OF SOCIALIST MOVEMENT IN GERMANY WORRIES KAISER

Ruler Bitterly Disappointed at Result of Election for the Reichstag.

## POSSIBLE FOR PARTY TO WIN 128 SEATS

Sixty-Four Candidates Already Are Elected and Reballotings May Double the Number.

[From Yesterday's Evening Telegram.]  
[SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE EVENING TELEGRAM VIA COMMERCIAL CABLE COMPANY'S SYSTEM.]  
BERLIN, Sunday.—A remarkable feature of the socialist victory was that, in addition to winning sixty-four seats, they stand advantageously to win as many more upon the second balloting. Although the centrist and the Roman Catholic strength is practically undiminished, especially in the rural districts, and the socialist gains have been practically wholly at the expense of the liberals, the radical wave is rising in the Catholic urban constituencies, such as Cologne and Dusseldorf. It now seems certain that more than one hundred socialists will be seated in the next Reichstag.

It is probable that Herr Liebknecht, the most radical socialist in Germany, will be elected on the second ballot to represent Potsdam, where the Kaiser's summer residence is situated.

"The great 'red' gains in all the cities are the people's reply to the government's taxation bill of 1909, which is still causing great suffering throughout the country, and also a protest against the increase in armaments which is shown by the complete rout of the Chauvinistic, warlike leader of the national liberal party, which has been practically wiped off the political map.

The Kaiser is profoundly disappointed at the result. He is said by the London Daily Express correspondent to have expressed himself bitterly while having luncheon with the American Ambassador, Mr. John G. A. Leishman, on Saturday.

The liberal and the national liberal orators declare it is the duty of the representatives of these parties to unite with the "blue-black" block in the next Reichstag and stem the rising "red" tide.

## SEE REVOLT AGAINST GERMAN TAXATION

[SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE HERALD VIA COMMERCIAL CABLE COMPANY'S SYSTEM.]  
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The consensus of the English press is that the socialist victories in Germany are due to the hardships imposed by the taxation law of 1909, and that the rising "red" tide must also be regarded as an emphatic protest against the increase in German armament, which entails more burdens on the heavily burdened people.

The same newspapers contain the announcement that the first keel plate will be laid to-morrow at Portsmouth on another armored superdreadnought, which will be an improvement on the new King George V., with 25,000 tons displacement.

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## FOREIGN PRIESTS SAFE IN PORTUGAL

Powers Warn Government That Clergy of Other Countries Living There Must Be Protected.

[From Yesterday's Evening Telegram.]  
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LISBON, Sunday.—Owing to the drastic enforcement of the religious separation law, representatives of the Powers, in a joint note, have informed Portugal that foreign clergy, such as Irish and British Dominicans, must be exempted from the operations of the law.

The Pope has decided to replace the Portuguese prelates who are under his ban by Spanish and Italian bishops.

Portuguese bishops who are loyal to the Holy See will be transferred to Rome and America.

## TURKISH SQUADRON TRAPPED BY RUSS

Italian Commander Reports Destruction of Gunboats After Strategic Move in Red Sea.

ROME, Sunday.—The Minister of Marine has received a report from the commander of the Italian naval forces in the Red Sea respecting the action of January 7. In the belief that Turkish gunboats had taken refuge in the canals behind the Farsan Islands, the Italian commander decided to make a combined operation. In order to disguise his intentions he sent the cruisers Calabria and Puglia to bombard the Turkish camp, and immediately after he dispatched the cruiser Piemonte and the destroyers Garibaldi and Artigliere to explore the canals behind the Farsans.

As soon as the Puglia and Calabria returned they were sent to Lohia, sixty miles down the coast, where they bombarded and destroyed Fort Mids. In the meantime, the other three Italian warships came upon seven Turkish gunboats and the armed yacht Fauvette, which they pursued. The Turks opened fire at about six thousand yards and a brisk fight followed. It lasted three and a half hours and terminated at dusk. The Turks abandoned their ships, some of which were scuttled.

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## AMERICANS DEFY PERSIA; PLAN TO RETAIN OFFICES

Mr. Cairns Tells Officials That Washington Knows of Their Threats.

## "CAUSE FOR ACTION INCOMPREHENSIBLE"

Hints at Desire to Force Natives of the United States to Break Their Contracts.

[From Yesterday's Evening Telegram.]  
[SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE EVENING TELEGRAM VIA COMMERCIAL CABLE COMPANY'S SYSTEM.]  
TEHRAN, Sunday.—Mr. F. E. Cairns to-day wrote to the Persian Cabinet a letter wherein he says he regrets exceedingly that their excellencies deemed it necessary to take such arbitrary measures for the dispossession of the representative of Mr. Shuster. This regret, he said, was not engendered by any feeling of personal resentment, but arose because of the evident lack of confidence in the American officials of this government.

"I wish to inform you, in the name of all the American officials, that I have obtained a certified translation of your letter of yesterday to Mons. Mornard, wherein you deemed it necessary or advisable to threaten us with dismissal and punishment. The cause for such an action is absolutely incomprehensible, unless you have been misinformed regarding our attitude toward this government or seek to compel us to commit a breach of contract.

"Your attention is invited to the fact that such threats, especially in the use of the word 'punishment,' can have but one interpretation in this country.

"I beg to state that your threat and our interpretation of it have been communicated to our government in Washington, and also to the British and Russian legations.

"Notwithstanding this, you are hereby officially advised that the Americans will continue at their posts for the present."

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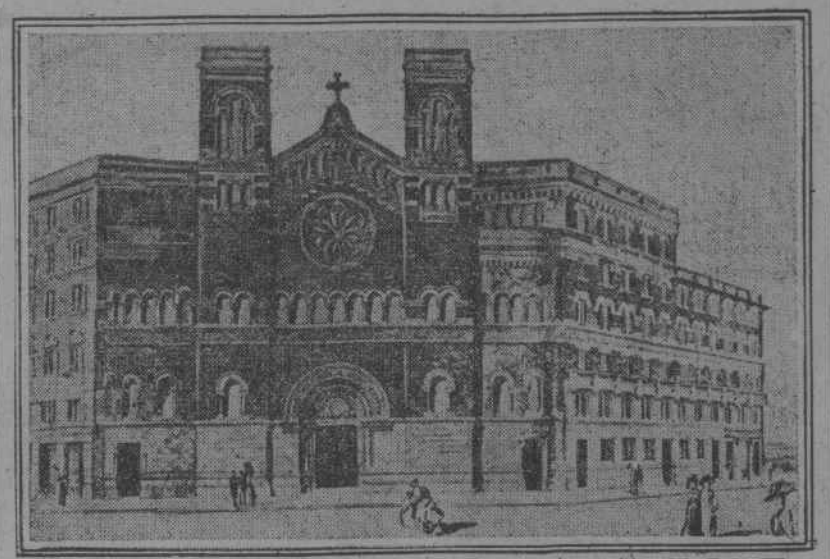
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## SOCIALISTS WORRY WASSER

## American Woman's Money Builds Waldensian Church Near Vatican



Place of Worship in Rome for Which Mrs. John S. Kennedy, of New York, Gave \$200,000 Nearing Completion, and Will Be Headquarters of the Sect.

In Rome there is being built a Waldensian Church, the first pretentious building of that communion in the Eternal City. It is the gift of Mrs. John S. Kennedy, of New York. Mrs. Kennedy contributed \$200,000, which will not only build the church, but will give it an endowment.

At present the building is up as far as the second story. It is on the Piazza Cavour and only a few blocks from the Vatican.

In the Vatican Square in 1569 a Waldensian pastor, Paschale, was burned in the presence of the Papal court and his ashes thrown into the Tiber. Under the new Italy the Waldensians have equal liberty with other communions.

Mrs. Kennedy, whose husband left many millions to the Presbyterian Church, recently made a trip through the Waldensian valleys in company with her brother-in-law and sister, the Rev. Dr. and Mrs. A. H. Schaeffer. She became much interested in the Waldensians, with the result that she gave the \$200,000 for this church.

At the annual meeting of the American Waldensian Aid Society held last Thursday afternoon in the chapel of St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church, the Rev. William Oxbury, of Philadelphia, in the course of an illustrated lecture on the Waldensians, showed a picture of the architect's drawing of the church in Rome.

Ground for this church was broken last summer. The auditorium will seat 1,200. At the top of the building will be apartments, the rental of which will pay the running expenses of the church. In addition there will be accommodations for evening classes and lectures and a medical dispensary.

It is likely that the entire work of the Waldensian denomination, including its theological seminary, will be directed from this centre.

## Noted Rubens for Connoisseur

Art Works of Great Value Sold by Dealers of This City Last Week.

Transactions in paintings and objects of art were numerous last week, and chief among them was the transfer of a Rubens to the gallery of a well known connoisseur who lives not far from St. Patrick's Cathedral. It is said to be one of the finest works of the great Flemish master ever brought to the United States.

There are on view in the Knodler galleries several works which had practically only come from the Custom House to adorn the exhibition which is being given for the Artist Fund and the Artists' Aid Societies. Among the new arrivals is a Hobbema of rare beauty and a delightful Vermeer. Six hundred persons yesterday attended the exhibition.

Fine art objects are going from the establishments of well known dealers to the homes of wealthy customers. At the house of P. W. French & Co. it was learned that a woman connoisseur, whose name the firm would not divulge, had paid \$40,000 for a splendid Pannemaker tapestry which had come from the same source as the two which are on exhibition in the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

The Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences has announced two important purchases. It has acquired for \$6,000 twelve water colors by Winslow Homer, and from Mr. Azees Khayat it has obtained forty-one pieces of rare Egyptian glass at a cost of \$1,000. To this Mr. Khayat added ten fine pieces as his personal gift.

## ARCHITECTS' ART SHOW.

Decorations for the library of the remodelled home of Mr. Whitelaw Reid, Ambassador to Great Britain, at Madison avenue and Fifth street, will be among the paintings shown at the approaching exhibition of the Architectural League, which will begin on January 23 at the Fine Arts Building, No. 215 West Fifty-seventh street.

There also will be seen the ambitious decorations for Castlegould, the home of Mr. Howard Gould on Long Island, which have been painted by Mr. William A. Hackay. The chief panel represents the Saguenay Sea. It is believed this is the first time that this strange stretch of ocean, where in tangled seaweed the ships of all ages are held, has been used as a decoration. There also will be shown the design by Mr. William Laurel Harris of a tapestry which is to be placed above the throne of Cardinal Farley.

Interest in the competitions this year is unusually keen, and those in charge of the exhibition declare that the display will be the best in quality and the most comprehensive that the league has ever given.

## NOTES FROM GALVESTON.

[SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE HERALD.]  
GALVESTON, Texas, Sunday.—There have been several social gatherings at the Hotel Galvez within the last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Sherman Keenan and Mr. and Mrs. James Hamilton Hill gave a dance here for Miss Keenan and Miss Alexia Robinson on Monday night.

Mrs. Robinson, whose home is in Beatrice, Neb., is a niece of Mr. and Mrs. Hill.

Mrs. George Noble Copley gave a tea on the following day for her sister, Mrs. Thomas Griffith Johnson, of Atlanta, and on Wednesday night a bridge party was given by Major Earl I. Brown, U. S. A., and Mrs. Brown for Miss Mary Lily Fisher, of Greensboro, N. C., and Miss Phelps, of Washington, both of whom are spending the winter here.

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## Havana Kept Mr. Wickersham and Party Busy

All Their Time There Filled with Sightseeing and Social Engagements—Other Americans There.

[SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE OF THE HERALD.]  
HAVANA, Cuba, January 9, 1912.—Mr. George W. Wickersham, Attorney General of the United States, and Mrs. Wickersham; Mons. Jusserrand, the French Minister to Washington, and Mme. Jusserrand, and Jonkheer Loudon, the Dutch Minister, and Mme. Loudon left Havana this morning on their way to Washington.

After luncheon at their hotel on Sunday, the day of their arrival here, Mr. Wickersham and his party drove about Havana and its environs with Mr. Hugh Gibson, first secretary of the American Legation here, as guide. They made a call at the Legation upon the Minister, Mr. Beaupré, and took tea with Mrs. Beaupré, Mayor Cardenas and Mrs. Cardenas also called that afternoon. The visitors dined with Mr. Gibson in the Hotel Telegrafo that night. Yesterday morning they visited a cigar factory and saw the process of making real habanos in all its details. From there they went to Obispo street, where the women purchase embroidered as souvenirs. They took luncheon at the Paris.

Mr. Wickersham was the chief guest at a dinner given last night at the Casino by Mr. J. M. L. Hough, of New York. Others at the table were the American Minister, Mr. Beaupré; the Consul General, Mr. Rodgers; the First Secretary, Mr. Gibson; General Orestes Ferrara, Speaker of the House; Secretary Rabe, of the Department of Public Works; Mr. Edmund G. Vaughan, Mr. Norman H. Davis and Mr. Louis V. Place. Mons. and Mme. Jusserrand dined with the French Minister, Mons. Jules de Clercq and Mme. de Clercq.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Atkins and Miss Hornblower, of Boston, are in Havana, en route to Central Soledad, at Cienfuegos, where they will spend, as usual, those winter months which are most pleasant on a Cuban sugar estate and most inclement in the North.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick S. Englewood, N. J., arrived yesterday. Dr. and Mrs. Preston Miller, of Hagerstown, Md., who have been guests of Captain Frank Parker, U. S. A., and Mrs. Parker, at Camp Columbia, left Havana for their home yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Skinner, of Osage, Iowa, have arrived to visit their son, Mr. Benjamin Skinner.